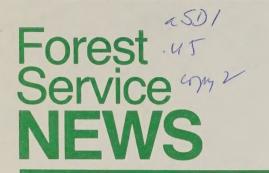
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NOTE TO CORRESPONDENTS:

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ELK TO BENEFIT BY AGREEMENT BETWEEN USDA FOREST SERVICE

AND THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN ELK FOUNDATION

The future of elk in the Northwest will be enhanced by the signing of an agreement between the USDA Forest Service and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation on Thursday, February 26, 9:30 AM in the "Main Lodge" at the Red Lion/Jantzen Beech. Deputy Chief J. Lamar Beasley will be there representing the Forest Service National Headquarters in Washington, DC. Signing of the agreement will take place during Opening Ceremonies at the Third Annual National Convention of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. The agreement will provide the basis for many cooperative resource management projects that will directly benefit elk and elk habitat on the National Forests in Oregon and Washington.

EVENT: Signing of a "Memorandum of Understanding" between the USDA Forest Service and the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

DIGNITARIES: Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation President, Allan Christenson; Deputy Chief of the Forest Service, J. Lamar Beasley; Director Randy Fisher, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife; Mayor of Portland, Bud Clark.

DATE: Thursday, February 26, 1987

TIME: 9:30 AM

LOCATION: Red Lion/Jantzen Beech-"Main Lodge"

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